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NEW JERSEY MAN INDICTED FOR COURTROOM ASSAULT OF U.S. MARSHALS

NEWARK, N.J. – A federal grand jury in Newark returned an Indictment today charging Wydove Brown, 40, of East Orange, N.J., for allegedly assaulting Deputy U.S. Marshals during a June 2010 court proceeding in Newark federal court, U.S. Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

Brown is charged with one count of forcibly assaulting, resisting, opposing and interfering with three Deputy U.S. Marshals while they were engaged in the performance of their official duties. Brown – who is in federal custody on the prior conviction for which he was being sentenced on the day of the alleged assault – will be arraigned on the Indictment on a date to be determined.

According to documents filed in this case:

On June 9, 2010, Brown was in the custody of the United States Marshals Service and appeared before a United States District Judge in Newark for the imposition of sentence. Brown became disruptive, yelled, and uttered profanities at the Court, after which the Deputy Marshals removed Brown at the Court's request. Brown resisted the Deputy Marshals in the courtroom and on the way to the holding cell by swinging his arms, lowering his center of gravity, and refusing to comply with their commands. In the course of subduing Brown, one of the Deputy Marshals sustained a fracture to one of his fingers. The Deputy Marshal was then treated at Overlook Hospital in Summit, N.J., for the fracture, lacerations on his hands, arms, and legs, and given a tetanus shot.

The charge in the Indictment carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited Deputy U.S. Marshals of the United States Marshals Service, under the direction of Acting U.S. Marshal Don Rackley, with the investigation leading to the Indictment.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jane H. Yoon of the U.S. Attorney's Office Criminal Division in Newark.

The charge and allegations contained in the Indictment are merely accusations and the defendant is considered innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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